

Curran Takes Oath of Office With LaGuardia

Republicans Welcome Them at City Hall as Mayor Denounces "Enemies" in New Year's Day Speech

Masses of Floral Gifts

Moran Fails to Appear to Welcome Man Who Defeated Him at Fall Election

Republicans in this city celebrated the New Year by taking possession of the City Hall and the Municipal Building to congratulate the new President of the Board of Aldermen, Mayor F. H. La Guardia, and the new President of the Borough of Manhattan, Mayor Henry H. Curran. Both spent upward of four hours, from 11 o'clock in the morning, when they were formally inducted into office, until 3 in the afternoon, when they closed their offices for the day, shaking hands with well-wishers.

Mr. Curran held his reception in his office in the Municipal Building, while Mr. La Guardia, after being sworn in by his old friend, Supreme Court Justice Phillip J. McCook—also a major in the war and one of the Republicans swept into office in the recent anti-Tammany wave, kept open house on the main floor of the City Hall, where his office will be for the next two years.

Mayor Renews Attacks
At the other end of the City Hall, in the Mayor's office, Mayor Hylan read a speech to a large number of his office holders and relatives, many of whom he placed on the city payroll. In his address the Mayor renewed his attacks on all those who disagreed with him as he did in his "Christmas Greetings to the People of the City of New York" and on other occasions.

After he delivered this address the Mayor with Mrs. Hylan called on Mr. La Guardia to pay his respects. It happened at that moment that Mr. Curran happened to be present bent on the same errand, and so the Mayor and Mrs. Hylan also extended a welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Curran. After the Mayor and Mrs. Hylan returned to the other end of the corridor Mr. La Guardia, with Mrs. La Guardia and Mr. and Mrs. Curran returned the call.

When Mr. La Guardia reached the City Hall to take possession of his office, there was considerable comment caused by the failure of the retiring President, Robert L. Moran, whom La Guardia defeated last November, to show on hand to greet him. In fact, ex-President Moran did not put in an appearance at all, nor did he send word explaining his absence.

At the Municipal Building the retiring President of the Borough of Manhattan, Michael F. Loughman, was on hand to welcome his successor and turn over to him the keys of the City Hall. Curran, successor, Mr. Loughman, referred to the administration of the late Frank L. Dowling, whose death made the conduct of the Manhattan Borough Presidency as one of sympathy and efficiency.

Mr. Curran's Reply
"It is a strange turn of the political cards that I should succeed one of my nearest and dearest friends, Frank Dowling," said Mr. Curran in reply. "A fairer, squarer man, never lived than he. It is indeed an honor to succeed him. My department will work as a team to guarantee efficiency and the object of my administration will be to serve the people of the City of New York."

After Mr. Curran had taken office he announced three more appointments including William Goldstecker as secretary to the Superintendent of Buildings. Mr. Goldstecker was an Assistant Corporation Counsel in the La Guardia Administration; William J. Lyons, brother of John J. Lyons, Curran campaign manager, as confidential inspector, and Harry Starnes as stenographer.

The offices of President La Guardia and La Guardia were literally filled with floral tributes, including tokens from the firemen and the police, who were promised a more active deal by both men after Mayor Hylan and his Tammany associates on the Board of Estimate refused to give them increases that were characterized as fair, just and reasonable.

A big horseshoe of American Beauty roses in Mr. La Guardia's chambers bore the legend: "Success—from the Uniformed Firemen's Association of Greater New York."

Almost every Italian society of note in the city and environs sent floral offerings to Mr. La Guardia. And members of the numerous Italian societies in the metropolitan district trooped in and out all during the reception. They were of all walks of life, and they came in couples and in groups. A delegation of more than a score of Italian physicians and surgeons, headed by Dr. Attilio Favaroni, was the first large group to felicitate Mr. La Guardia.

Dr. Favaroni and his delegation were entering Mr. La Guardia's office they stopped stock still as a tremendous burst of applause came from the other end of the corridor. For a moment they were undecided if they were entering the right room, but continued on their way when they found that it was the Mayor's party applauding the Mayor's speech.

Mayor Is Ingenious
In his speech, which the Mayor read, he made an ingenious reply to the criticisms which have been leveled at him for the removal of the Vice Mayor, Costigan from head of the Vice Mayor's office, and for causing other changes in the Police Department, which his critics have charged have brought about a demoralization of the force, resulting in an unprecedented crime wave.

"In past administrations," said the Mayor, "prominent men, hiding behind corporate names, connected with so-called reform movements, have been proprietors, gambling clubs and other enterprises, have been profiting by dealings with the underworld. They find it necessary to keep in very close touch with the police of the City of New York and the high police officials, so that disorderly hotels, gambling dens and the underworld generally may know more about what is going on at police headquarters than some of the high police officials. It was formerly a common occurrence for men connected with some of the leading gambling and other enterprises to be seen in very close communion with high officials of the Police Department, at luncheon and places of amusement."

"In fact, police headquarters was the rendezvous of the agents of the underworld, who found it expedient to have friends in the Police Department assigned to the vice, gambling, lotto and other squads, telephone and telegraph bureaus, where they could secure advance information of the contemplated

Horse Enjoying New Year Feast



Miss Nesta de Becker helping the Horse Aid Society make New York's equine population happy with an "honest to goodness" dinner.

County Judge Haskell Is Sworn Into Office
Success "Wet" Candidate Takes the Oath With Three Other Brooklyn Republicans

County Judge Reuben L. Haskell, Sheriff John Drescher, Register Edward T. Maddox and Supreme Court Justice Arnon L. Squiers, the four Brooklyn Republicans who downed the Murphy-McCooey candidates at the recent election, were inducted into office yesterday.

Judge Haskell, who ran at the head of his ticket on an out-and-out "wet" platform, held a reception in his chambers, where speeches were made by several prominent Republicans, including United States Senator William M. Calder.

All were sworn in by County Clerk William E. Kelly, as were the subordinates of Register Maddox and Sheriff Drescher, the two big sources of patronage. Ex-Judge William Schitzman, leader of the 20th Assembly District, was made under sheriff; Henry F. Whalen, chief clerk; James H. Van Duser, deputy clerk; Richard Wright, warden of the jail; Charles S. Francis, deputy warden, and Miss Marie Frugone, secretary. Eight deputies were appointed at a salary of \$2,250 a year each, eight assistants at salaries of \$1,500 to \$2,000 each and several keepers.

At the office of Register Maddox Jacob Barscherer, Republican leader of the 19th Assembly District, was sworn in as deputy register; John J. V. Dunn, as assistant deputy; George W. Criss, cashier, and Thomas H. Livingston, secretary. The new Register postponed the naming of counsel for a week. There are several candidates for the place, including Charles W. Hall, Republican leader of the 1st Assembly District, and Robert H. Johnson, of the 17th Assembly District. Hall is backed by the Republican organization, while Register Maddox favors Johnson, who conducted the Register's campaign.

Greenpoint Alderman Is Welcomed by Mayor
At noon yesterday several motor buses bearing huge streamers on their sides reading, "Our Alderman—Peter J. McGuinness," drew up in front of the City Hall. Then 100 or so of Greenpoint's leading citizens got out and with Greenpoint's newest City Father at their head, mounted the steps of the City Hall, swung open the doors, and ascended the stairs to the Aldermanic Chamber.

The Greenpointers found themselves in complete possession of it. Some of them began to make inquiries and learned that the Aldermen would not be sworn in until Monday. And when some one suggested that all go back to Greenpoint and come back on Monday there was a chorus of "No!" One of Alderman McGuinness's friends ran down to the Mayor's office. Another, a big florid horseman in the front of the dais where sits the President of the Board. It bore Alderman McGuinness's name in letters of gold on a silver field of crimson.

And one of Alderman McGuinness's friends returned with the Mayor, who marched up beside the floral horseman's hand and made a speech. Then the Mayor told Alderman McGuinness to do his duty by the people, as he did his, and to read "The New York American."

Alderman McGuinness thanked the Mayor, vice president of the representatives cheered their Alderman wildly. Later Alderman McGuinness, the first Alderman ever to hold a large reception in the Aldermanic Chamber, and his friends returned to Greenpoint.

Two Die in Gas-Filled Home
Bodies of Man and Wife Found in Breakfast Room
LOS ANGELES, Jan. 1.—The bodies of George B. Sinclair, sixty-one, inventor of musical instruments, and his wife, Margaret Sinclair, fifty-eight, were found in the breakfast room of their home today. Apparently they had died from fumes from a gas heater in an adjoining room.

Sinclair came here about six months ago from Boston, where for many years he was vice-president of the Choral Cello Manufacturing Company. The house was tightly closed and every room was filled with the deadly fumes. Food was found on the table and the police said an analysis of this would be made to determine whether poison other than gas had not been first employed by a possible murderer.

Man Slain in Fight; Another Found Dead
Third, Injured Severely, Is Being Held in Hospital on Homicide Charge
One man is dead and another dying in the Brooklyn Hospital as the result of a fight in a restaurant yesterday at 5 Liberty Street, Brooklyn. The dead man is believed to be a longshoreman named Doyle. The other man's name is said to be Frank Mullin. He refused to give his address.

Mullin told the police he was in the restaurant when five men there began fighting with knives, resulting in the death of Doyle and his own injury when he attempted to act as peacemaker. The police are holding Mullin on the charge of homicide.

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His body was discovered by Policeman William Walker, of the Liberty Avenue station, at about 11 o'clock Wednesday, lying face downward. His horn lay a few feet away.

There was some money and a watch in Leckinger's clothes. He was identified by a son-in-law, Lawrence Tassari, said that Leckinger was expected at a New Year's celebration at the home of his son, John, at the Bergen Street address.

Walker Picked For Minority Senate Leader

Caucus of State Democratic Leaders Selects Him in Open Defiance of William Randolph Hearst

Sweet Again Speaker

Republicans Are Expected to Re-elect Adler as Assembly Floor Chief

Senator James J. Walker, of the 12th District, will be selected as minority leader of the State Senate at the Democratic caucus in Albany next Tuesday to succeed Surrogate and former Senator James A. Foley.

The decision to name Senator Walker was reached on New Year's Eve after a series of conferences here and up state among Democratic leaders.

The selection of Senator Walker was determined upon only after a majority of the important leaders in the Democratic state machine had thrust out not only the merits of Senator Walker and his only other rival for the post, Senator John J. Boylan, of the 13th, but the possible reprisals of William Randolph Hearst for their support of Senator Walker.

Hearst Challenge Accepted
"We decided to accept the Hearst challenge and name Walker and let Hearst and his newspapers do their worst," said The Tribune's informant yesterday. "Anybody who does not consider Hearst a Democrat. He was read out of the party at the last state Democratic convention when he tried to get the nomination for Governor." Charles F. Murphy, one of Boylan's friends at one of the conferences in this city. "He won't be taken seriously."

There was a retort to this criticism from one of Walker's friends that settled the case. "Walker," was the reply, "has made humorous speeches. But when he made them it was only on the specific invitation of the Hearst newspaper. He wanted the aid of his ridicule in trying to laugh some bill to death. And let some of Walker's critics attempt this form of expression and it is dollars to doughnuts that they will remind you of a bear trying to walk a tight rope."

Senator Walker before entering the profession of law and politics made his living as a writer of ballads, many of them popular successes at the time. One of them was "Will You Love Me December as You Do in May?"

But Senator Walker's denials of the criticism of those who opposed his selection, is regarded as the ablest Democrat in the Senate. His speeches attacking William Randolph Hearst and his newspapers on the floor of the Senate at the last session were characterized by old-timers in the Legislature as among the best ever delivered.

There will be no change in the other leadership in the Legislature. On the Assembly side Thaddeus C. Sweet will be re-elected Speaker and Republicans will also re-elect Assemblyman Simon L. Adler, of Monroe, floor leader.

The Democrats will reflect Assemblyman Charles D. Donohue, of this city, minority leader of the lower house. The Senate organizes only once every two years, so that Senator J. Henry Wondolag, of Westchester, will continue as President pro tem. of the Senate.

Fire Laid to Pyromaniac Menaces 75 in the Bronx
Brooke Avenue Apartment House Ablaze Sixth Time Since Last June

A fire, the sixth believed to have been started by a pyromaniac since June, cut off thirteen families from the stairs in the apartment house at 571 Brooke Avenue, the Bronx, early yesterday. Seventy-five persons, including the widow and children of William Boehner, the watchman killed by a bomb at the home of Judge Charles C. Nott last year, were rescued by police and firemen working on extension ladders.

The fire was discovered by Mrs. Anna Conroy, a tenant of the building, on her return from a watch-night celebration. Gusts of flame leaped out at her as she opened the front door. Battalion Chief Samuel E. Poling, who was returning from another fire, heard her screams and turned in an alarm.

Captain Lantry, of the Morrisania police station, which had maintained a police guard at the house until a short time ago, also heard Mrs. Conroy and, with seven policemen, scaled the back fence separating the apartment house from the police station and set ladders against the rear wall of the burning structure. The firemen at the same time worked in front and rescued every tenant without a mishap.

While the fire was at its height, a tenant of the adjoining structure, at 573 Brooke Avenue, reported a fire in his home. The fire was quickly extinguished. This served to confirm the belief of the police that the pyromaniac, who began his work while the body of the slain watchman Boehner was laid out in his home last June, was again active. There has been no change at 571 Brooke Avenue on an average of once a month since, and though the police have maintained a watch the pyromaniac so far has eluded detection.

Subway Trains Stalled
By "Flood" in Brooklyn
Subway trains were stalled, cellars flooded and street traffic blocked yesterday afternoon when a heavy rain from 226 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, burst. Water six inches deep in the Interborough's Seventh Avenue subway delayed trains for an hour. Fulton Street, from Brooklyn to the Annex Hotel, was closed to traffic for an hour and a half.

Police reserves were required to control a crowd that gathered around the firemen pump water from cellars. Two hundred bundles of clothing and 800 suitcases, containing miscellaneous articles, in the basement of the Annex Hotel, 206 Fulton Street, were damaged.

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Formerly A. T. Stewart & Co.
Broadway at Ninth, New York
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Good morning!
This is January 2!

The weather today will probably be fair.

Like a Lovely Lady From the Orange Country

who walked about the hotel social halls with orange blossoms in her hair and in her belt, and who seemed to be swinging a chalice of sweet and most refreshing perfume, almost persuading us we were amid the blooming groves on the Orange River, the Store today, with its

Orange Blossom of Fashion

brings the charm of sunlit skies and golden sands to the snow-wrapped city.

It is one of the Fine Arts to dress simply, be natural, unassuming, and, by gentle courtesies, sitting or standing, your words and actions shall be the blossoms of your spirit, giving happiness to everybody around you. No need to dissemble. Good manners are the art of making people easy and at home with each other.

The good manners of this Store are not wholly the gift of nature, but the overcoming of our own faults, by a prudent silence sometimes and a real interest in everybody about us.

(Signed)

John Wanamaker

January 2, 1920.



A fine old English dining room

Au Quatrième

Au Quatrième an old English dining-room has been arranged against a background of old Georgia paneled and carved wood, against which the furniture of the room appears to most charming advantage.

In the room, as the highest, most brilliant note, is a remarkably fine Adam mantel of white and green marble, carved with characteristic garlands and rosettes on either side of a group of sculptured loves.

Two beautiful little Adam window benches painted black and gold and upholstered with old gold brocade.

Old crystal side-lights with sparkling drops and spears are very lovely against the dark natural colored wood walls.

The large William and Mary china cabinet with glass doors and mounted on a stand is in spirit with the two small Queen Anne glazed cabinets on each side of the fireplace. The unusually interesting dining table of walnut is also Queen Anne—charming in shape and altogether fine. Six leather seated and carved back Queen Anne walnut chairs with beautifully shaped splat backs are used with this table.

Fourth floor, Old Building.

The pink and white sale

Opens tomorrow (Saturday) morning. Half the news is told here. The rest will be told tomorrow.

The pink and white sale is new originating here for 1920, beginning Saturday, January 3

Besides the mounds and mounds of billowy white lingerie, we are giving equal attention to pink lingerie, realizing that as many women wear becoming shell pink silk and cotton underthings as wear white. Special features—

Copies of exclusive French nightgowns—Quantities of hand-made imported lingerie—Novelties in the Imported Shops—Corsets designed under our supervision—Silk petticoats—Inexpensive negligees—Beautiful hand-made blouses—Distinctive house frocks—Dresses for babies and children—Household linens.

A specialized feature of the sale— 4,825 pieces of pink silk lingerie

Bought six months ago before recent advances in cost. We are offering silk bloomers at \$6.50 that cost \$6.50 today wholesale; we are selling silk nightgowns at \$4.95, yet we can buy none today for less than \$7.50.

—PINK SILK—

Bodices.....\$1. to \$4.65
Bloomers...\$2.50 to \$8.75
Gowns....\$4.95 to \$10.75
Chemises...\$2.25 to \$10.75

Perfectly lovely crepe de chine and washable satin and tub satin undies made in the prettiest, daintiest ways imaginable. Some are smartly tailored, others are trimmed with lace, insertion, pastel embroidery, Georgette, tuckings, ribbons, rosebuds.

A vast array of perfectly irresistible things.

The silk is good. The workmanship is above reproach. Best of all these things are remarkably inexpensive. Imagine finding a real good silk chemise for only \$2.95! But you can—and other things, too.

Third floor, Old Building.

—WHITE—

White cotton underclothes—
Lovely models at \$1.35 to \$3.85

Novelties as well as staple underthings in great profusion.

The main points are the excellence of materials, the careful workmanship and the nicely selected laces, ribbons and embroideries.

It is, indeed, a pleasure to replenish from such a wide and varied collection of carefully designed lingerie.

Gowns **Chemise** **Corset Covers**
Drawers **Combinations** **Petticoats**

Made of good fine white nainsook and pink and white batiste. Many surprising new innovations that will delight you.

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Julie Amelie Carlotta Mignon

Porch, garden and house frocks, \$3 to \$12.75

Many novelties as well as a large number of smart, well-made, good-looking frocks. At least twenty-five styles to select from, ranging in price from \$3 to \$12.75.

Ginghams, percales, chambrays, made in ever so many attractive, new ways.

The four pictured ones are selected at random from the many desirable models.

Julie
is a fascinating black-and-white checked frock. The gingham is excellent. The long, detachable shawl collar of embroidered organdy gives excellent lines; the tie sash is just the right finishing touch; \$9.75.

Amelie
is a cunning calico house frock. While attractive and possessing quaint charm, it is essentially designed for service. It comes in Copenhagen and navy blue and green. The material has an odd little old fashioned circle in its design; \$3.95.

Carlotta
is a simple, little utility dress

of striped gingham. Made on straight lines and belted. White collar. Very neat and serviceable. In many different colored stripes; \$4.75.

Mignon
is a delightful frock, particularly suited to the more slender type of woman. The long tie sash, the pique collar and cuffs, the long lines all give it a certain indefinable smartness. In fine gingham checks in the loveliest shade of light blue and white; the clean, clear blue that is so flattering to wear; also in lavender-and-white and black-and-white; \$12.75.

Third floor, Old Building.

The extra-size shop presents

Huge quantities of specially priced underthings—sensible and serviceable and at the same time dainty—and with all the charm a woman likes to put into the more intimate things to wear.

Nightgowns at \$2.50, \$2.95 and \$3.95.

Petticoats at \$1.25, \$2.95, \$4.95.

Drawers, \$1.25, \$1.95, \$2.95.

Corset covers, \$1.25 and \$2.95.

Envelope and straight chemises, \$1.95, \$2.95, \$3.95.

Short petticoats, \$1.25, \$1.95, \$2.25.

Bloomers, \$1.50, \$3.75.

Dressing sacques, \$1.95, \$2.95.

House dresses, \$2.95, \$4.95, \$5.95.

Blouses, \$3, \$3.95, \$7.50.

Nothing is skimpy—attention is paid to large roomy arm holes, long waists, and full skirts, most of the garments are reinforced under the arms.

Third floor, Old Building.

Corset sale on main aisle

\$3.45 for \$6 and \$7 grades
Brocaded pink corsets, some lacing in front, some in back. Elastic goes, making them more comfortable in sitting.